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Chairman Julius Genachowski
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

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RE: In the Matter of applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for consent to assign or Transfer Control of licenses and Authorizations (WT Docket No. 11-65).

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

The Madison County Chamber of Commerce strives to enhance the economic, civic, and cultural growth of Madison County. We advocate for public policy that promotes healthy competition, encourages investment in our state and in our community, grows jobs, and preserves consumer safeguards.

Technology is quickly and dramatically changing our world. It is becoming quite evident that wireless technologies are driving innovations that will bring a new level of devices and applications to the public. Although Madison County is primarily a rural county, our businesses depend on high-speed Internet services just as much as large businesses in major metropolitan areas. Too often the rural areas are the last to receive the most current advancements in technology.

We are excited by the fact that AT&T plans to upgrade its wireless network to 4G in Madison County. It's critical for our economic development efforts that we have access to the latest technologies. We support the T-Mobile merger because it will bring 4G capabilities to Ohio faster and give more Americans access to this vital resource. Since T-Mobile's parent company plans to vacate the U.S. market, we believe the merger will be an excellent use of resources that will benefit our nation. We urge you to approve the AT&T/T-Mobile merger.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sean K. Hughes".

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